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## MARGINAL COLUMN By SHAYA SHAPIRO

THE establishment of the military dictatorship in Damascus this week has cut Syria loose from the Egyptian leash. This development is of greater significance than the establishment of Russian rule on our northern frontier, which had been predicted for months. No one knows how strong the military junta really is, and it is regarded as probable that, in order to maintain its grasp on the weak and divided Syria, its new chief will have to depend on foreign — that is, Russian — support more than his older friend, Colonel Nasser. This is precisely what his sponsors would like to happen, but the Syrian army chief may take some time before he himself realizes it.

THE military men heading the Syrian putsch would like to follow a policy independent from that of Nasser, as Damascus has never acknowledged Cairo's right to lead the Arab world. The Syrian leaders accepted that lead in the past only because they feared their own weakness, but Nasser's defeat in Sinai, and the vast amount of Soviet arms they have received have given the Syrian Army a feeling of superiority which it now feels duty-bound to prove by deeds. What President Kuwayti may bring back from Cairo may thus prove most important in determining Syria's relations with Egypt.

UNTIL the new regime is firmly entrenched, however, there is no reason to expect that it will be anxious to provoke incidents on the Israel border. The army is too occupied at present with organizing itself in Damascus, and there are no rival political groups in Syria who would be able to infiltrate up to the border and start shooting in the Hula area in order to win popularity away from the army. With the army in his hands, the new chief of state will have no reason to fear from his fellow countrymen, however opposed they may be to his rule or ideas. The likelihood of a pro-Western revolution in Syria seems very slim indeed at the moment. The West, or more particularly, the United States, is discredited for its apparently vain attempts to reverse the present course of events in the Middle East. Israel, one presumes, would remain quiet as long as she is left alone.

IN Jordan, however, the Syrians have since Nasser felt obliged to inspire an anti-Western underground, and they are reported to be behind the several attempts on Hussein's life. There were several acts of sabotage recently: the Hejaz railway was blown up and telephone lines cut. All these incidents were credited to Syrian agents, as were others in the Lebanon. The Syrians have got more ambitious of late, and the press has reported their presence in Iraq. The present upsurge of Russian influence in Syria can be maintained only as long as the Syrians, whose economy has been disintegrating, are kept fed. The position there is more complicated than in Egypt, for in Syria there was a prosperous middle class which is now feeling the brunt of Sovietization, while in Egypt most of the people are *fellahs*, who have been so long hungry under any regime.

AN experienced observer's feeling at this stage would be that the ball in the Middle East is at present in American hands. Public opinion in both Damascus and Cairo must await with caution any strong action which the United States might take. If this is not forthcoming, then Arab public opinion may understand the delay as an indication of inability, or maybe as a sign that the U.S. may abandon the area completely. Then the British, full of new vigour in their quest for their former influence, are very likely to try their hand again as agents for the West, bringing new methods but — alas — old ideas to this game. And the Americans, who look as if they may have been and are hungry under any regime.

Tel Aviv, August 21.

## A-Bombs for U.K. Far East Forces

SYDNEY, Tuesday (UP). — The British Defence Minister, Mr. Duncan Sandys, announced today that British forces in the Far East will be equipped with atomic weapons as soon as the weapons are available.

## Concessions In Arms Cuts Wanted

LONDON, Tuesday (UP). — The disarmament conference suspended its regular session today so that the U.S. delegate, Mr. Harold Stassen, could press the Allies for approval of new American concessions in the stalemate talks.

The full Five-Power meeting set for today was postponed until tomorrow "at the earliest," Mr. Stassen conferred instead with the Western delegations.

Mr. Stassen reportedly told the press that the U.S. position was to insist on a "no first use" policy, and that the U.S. would be prepared to make concessions in the area of atomic weapons, but only if the other powers would make corresponding concessions.

Mr. Stassen also stressed the importance of holding a strong position at the U.N. and for that purpose the Israeli delegation had maintained close contact with the U.S. Charge d'Affaires, Mr. William O. Baxter.

## Tests Starting Next Month in Australia

ADELAIDE, Tuesday (UP). — Official sources disclosed today that Britain's autumn atomic test series will open on September 12 at Maralinga proving ground, if weather is suitable.

Most of the 200 scientists involved in the tests already have reached Maralinga and trial runs will take place on September 2-5 after the arrival of Sir William Penney, British weapons development chief.

The British Defence Minister, Mr. Duncan Sandys, will fly to Woomera from Canberra tomorrow. On Thursday he will inspect the Maralinga test preparations.

In London, it was disclosed that Britain is reactivating her Christmas Island H-bomb base so that the monocular tests can be carried out at "short notice" if necessary.

There is no immediate plan for further H-bomb explosions in the mid-Pacific testing ground, informed sources said, but Christmas Island will be kept in readiness.

A large number of British engineers, troops and present engineers are now being airlifted to Christmas Island to put the big airbase and its complex scientific facilities back in working order.

## Bonn Resuming Talks With Moscow

BONN, Tuesday (UP). — Special Ambassador Rolf Laehr returned to Bonn on Thursday in another attempt to keep the bogged-down German-Soviet talks moving, a Government spokesman said today.

Mr. Laehr returned to Bonn over the weekend for new instructions after the Moscow talks stalled for the second time. The announcement of his return to the Soviet capital indicated that the Foreign Ministry still has hopes that something of value will be salvaged from the talks.

Prosecutor Y. Buhul accused Nafiz of crossing the border into Jordan through Beit Safa village, near Jerusalem. There she met with the Syrian Military Attaché in Jordan. The latter, being engaged to be married, feared that his meetings with the girl might compromise him and directed her to the Jordan police.

The latter willingly accepted the girl's services. They also proposed to her that she spy for Jordan in Syria which she refused. A search in the home of Nafiz's parents revealed a diary which contained information

## Eban: Must Still Improve Ties with U.S.

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — The main task before my colleagues and myself during the last few months, was the systematic and patient improvement of our relations with the U.S. Although we have managed to bridge the gulf of misunderstanding that existed previously, there is still much to be done in this direction," said the Israeli Ambassador to the U.S., Mr. Abba Eban, upon his return to the country today after a three-week home leave, and for consultations with the Government.

Mr. Eban reported to Foreign Minister Meir in Jerusalem in the afternoon, and was scheduled to see Prime Minister Ben-Gurion tomorrow (Wednesday). Consultations will begin next week.

Mr. Eban told the Iltm reporter at the airport, that he had met with Secretary of State Dulles and his advisors, as well as with Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld, before leaving for Israel and had discussed the new Middle East situation with them.

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## 'Mars' is Allowed Through Suez Canal

SUEZ, Tuesday (Reuter). — The 2,176-ton Norwegian freighter Mars, bound for Haifa, was allowed to enter the Suez Canal today after being held by Egyptian authorities here for four days.

The Mars is the second Norwegian ship held by Egyptian authorities in the past week for calling at Israel ports.

The 2,168-ton freighter Hubro, bound for Japan from Haifa, was allowed to sail through the Canal yesterday after being delayed for a day while the Canal authorities awaited instructions from Cairo.

Harbour police had earlier searched the Hubro which is carrying a cargo of potatoes.

The source added that Syria was doing this "because it is a natural step in harmony with the U.N. Charter for resistance to the cold war launched against Syria."

Meanwhile, in Beirut, speculation continued today whether Syria's President Kuwayti would return to Damascus from his visit to Egypt.

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The right-wing Lebanese newspaper "Al Hayat" insisted that Kuwayti resigned following tension between him and left wing officers which reached a climax with the pensioning off of 10 senior officers.

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Cannot Invest Funds, Cairo Warns Suez Co. CAIRO, Tuesday (UP). — Egypt warned the old Suez Canal Company yesterday against disposing of its funds before a final settlement is reached with its shareholders.

The semi-official Middle East News Agency quoted a responsible Egyptian source as saying "the Company dispose of the funds in its possession for financing any scheme before final settlement, it would make it difficult, if not impossible, to reach a solution in connection with the compensation Egypt had undertaken to pay shareholders."

'Minor Relief' In Heat Due TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Coastal plain dwellers who have been suffering in hot humid weather, are now enjoying a minor relief at night, despite the dip in temperatures, because of the rise in relative humidity. With low clouds hanging over the city, the weather area is enveloped in a blanket of smouldering heat.

There may be small variations and a one or two dip in temperatures tomorrow (Wednesday), the weathermen says, but people tend to forget from year to year that August is the peak of summer heat, and the present discomfort is caused only by occasional forces. There is nothing abnormal about it, he claims.

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## Oman Question Fails to Receive Vote for Debate in U.N. Council

### Syria Complains to Council On U.S. Part in 'Plot'

DAMASCUS, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Syrian Foreign Ministry today instructed its U.N. representative to draw the Security Council's attention to "the conspiracy plotted by members of the U.S. Embassy in Damascus against the present Syrian regime," an official source has stated.

The representative has been instructed to make clear to the Council's President the serious results, which will prejudice peace in the Middle East, if such plots continue.

The source added that Syria was doing this "because it is a natural step in harmony with the U.N. Charter for resistance to the cold war launched against Syria."

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## American Delegate Abstains

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday. — The Security Council today did not accept the Oman question as requested by 11 Arab states. The Chairman of the Council, Dr. Francisco Urrutia of Colombia, declared that "the item is not adopted," after it failed to get the necessary majority vote.

Voting was four in favour, five against, one abstention and one did not participate. The U.S. abstained, and Nationalist China did not take part. Voting for the move were Iraq, the Soviet Union, the Philippines and Sweden, while those who voted against were Britain, France, Colombia, Australia and Cuba.

U.S. Abstention. When the Council resumed its debate this afternoon, Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge of the U.S. announced that he would abstain in the vote on the agenda.

Mr. Lodge said: "The facts with respect to developments in the area are complex and not entirely clear, and the applicable law as well as the identity of the real parties in interest is not free from doubt."

He added: "However, I wish to make it entirely clear that the U.S. does not accept as valid the interpretation of the situation set forth in the letter. Now that the military conflict has subsided, the U.S. strongly hopes that advantage will be taken by all concerned of the relative calm that prevails in the area to settle by peaceful means any legitimate grievances that may be involved."

Mr. Brian Hill of Australia announced his resignation today in connection with the Oman question. He said there was no threat to international peace from British actions in Oman. The Imamate was not an independent state. If there were aggression, why did the Arab leader accuse the Sultan? he asked.

M. Guillaume Georges-Picot of France told the Council that he would vote against putting the Arab complaint on the agenda.

The British Ambassador, Sir Piersman Dixon, spoke against the item, thanking Jawad for his "cordial reference" to Anglo-Iraq friendship but expressing regret that this friendship had not prevented Iraq from "voicing serious charges against Britain on the Oman question."

Arab Note 'Strange' He began by questioning the wording of the agenda.

Emphasizing Iraq's own friendly relations with Britain, Jawad called for debate on the grounds that it was necessary to show "the extent to which the peace of the world has been endangered."

U.K. Consults With Others on Syria LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Britain is consulting with "governments with common interests" on the situation in Syria where pro-Soviet military leaders have been placed in positions of power, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

He declined to list the governments concerned but a usually well-informed source said that Foreign Office officials have conferred in London with the former Iraqi Premier Nuri el-Said.

Unofficial sources emphasize that events in Syria are bound to be of concern to governments with substantial Middle East interests and to states which are neighbours of Syria.

Yesterday, the British Ambassador in Washington, Sir Harold Caccia, reviewed the position with Secretary of State Dulles.

Asked if Britain was having talks with Iraq about the Syrian situation, the spokesman said, "I cannot answer questions of that form. But it is reasonable to assume we are in touch with governments with common interests. However, I am not prepared to catalogue them."

Cairo Naval Mission Going to Poland CAIRO, Tuesday (UP). — An Egyptian naval mission composed of five officers and eight enlisted men will leave shortly for Poland to take a six-months course in maritime and port affairs, the Ports and Lighthouses Administration announced today.

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## Social & Personal

The Minister of Social Welfare and Religious Affairs, Mr. Moshe Shapira, yesterday received Dr. Karl Heinrich Rengstorff, a Swiss Professor of Theology who helped Jewish students fleeing from the Nazis during the war and a delegate to the World Congress of Jewish Studies, which Shapira also received Mr. R. Gottlieb, the Director of PICA, who was accompanied by Mr. M. Rova, Israel Director of PICA.

The Central Institute for Cultural Relations Israel-Portugal held a reception in Jerusalem on Monday night in honor of its President, Justice Gad Frankin, on the occasion of his 70th birthday. Present were the Argentine Ambassador, Dr. G. Topolovsky, the Minister of Uruguay and Mrs. di Lorenzo; the Minister of Mexico and Mrs. Ortiz Herman; the Minister of Peru, Dr. M. Bosa Pardo; the Charge d'Affaires of Guatemala, Mr. J. Garcia Granados Jr.; and the Secretary of the Brazilian Legation, Mr. A. Porto de Oliveira, and many of the members of the Council of the Institute.

The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Gershon Agron, and the Deputy Mayor, Mr. M. Ish-Shalom, met yesterday with Mr. A. Dickstein, Director of the Israel Police, to discuss the activities in New York, and discussed with him investments by Ampal in the development of Jerusalem.

Mrs. Raymond Clapper, Washington Director of CARE on an official visit to this country to survey CARE activities, was the guest of the Ministry of Social Welfare yesterday and visited the agricultural school equipped by CARE in the Even Hazer region.

On Monday she visited the Hebrew University campus accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hubert and Mr. C. Taylor of the CARE mission and the Director of USOM in Israel and Mrs. John Haggerty. The party were entertained to lunch at the University by the Jewish Agency and Mrs. Shlomo Eisenberg.

A delegation consisting of Mr. Alfredo Kora, President of the Israel-Argentine Chamber of Commerce and Chairman of the Buenos Aires Argentine Israel Appeal, Mr. Miguel Radinsky, President of the Lima Jewish Community, Mr. Ben-Zion Brodsky, President of the Lima Zionist Federation, and Mr. and Mrs. Salomon of the Jewish Agency were received on Monday by the Directorate of the Keren Hayesod.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Troy of New York were entertained yesterday evening at the Jerusalem home of the Jewish Agency General by the Jewish Agency and Mrs. Shlomo Eisenberg.

The newly-erected studio building of the Israel National Opera will be dedicated at the Y.M.C.A. today at 1:15 p.m. Speakers will be the co-directors of the opera, Mr. Fred Morrow of Tennessee, and Mr. Michael Silbermann, of Kiryat Motzkin.

A fellowship gathering of Rotarians will take place this evening at 8:30 at the Haifa residence of Rotarian and Rotarianess R. C. Ward.

**MARRIAGE**  
SECRETARY BENJAMIN Dr. and Mrs. I. Ben-Zion (Rehovot) announce the marriage of their daughter Anna to Avraham, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Sere (Jerusalem) on Tuesday, August 20, 1957.

Mr. Haim Danash, General Manager of St-Da Co. Ltd., left on board the S.S. Pace on his way to Europe. Mr. Danash intends to study new packing methods.

**Rumanian Zionist Buried in Merhavia**  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The remains of Haim Abir, Secretary of the Hashomer Hatzair in Rumania, were flown to Lydda today from Paris and were laid to rest at Kibbutz Merhavia in the Jezreel valley.

The deceased had been imprisoned for Zionist activities in Rumania. He was engaged at the graveside by Mr. Haim Pined, Moscow Political Secretary, the Minister of Health, Mr. Y. Barzilai, and a former colleague, Mr. Shmuel Kuperman.

Members of the Knesset and representatives of the Rumanian Zionist Association and of the Kibbutz Arzi participated in the funeral, which was held at Lydda in Tel Aviv, sleeping at the Kibbutz Arzi and continuing from there to Merhavia. (JTM)

## N.Y. Press Sees Soviet Success

NEW YORK, Tuesday. — The New York Times today called the coup in Syria the "greatest challenge thus far to the Eisenhower Doctrine," and a major success for the Soviet Union.

It is a Soviet success regardless of whether the new Syrian rulers are "Arab nationalists who have hitched their wagon to the Soviet star" or are outright Communists. "We agree they threaten to reduce Syria to a new type of Soviet satellite serving Moscow as a firm base in the Middle East," the Times said.

But it pointed out that, unless the new Syrian rulers launch new adventures against either Israel or Jordan, the part of the Eisenhower Doctrine specifying U.S. aid at the request of nations threatened by armed Communist aggression will be difficult to apply.

The "Herald-Tribune" today urged the Senate to restore the cuts made by the House in the mutual security program because of the developments in Syria, as well as in Korea and Vietnam. It said that Syria is now a tool of the Soviet Union in a strategic area.

The "Daily News" said that while the Syrian developments are not good news for the West, it would seem very foolish to get too upset. Syria is separated from Russia by several anti-Communist nations while Moscow's promises of economic aid have been of little help.

The "Daily Mirror," however, pointed out that Syria now is as much part of the Soviet state as Hungary or Czechoslovakia. This is the result of the "brilliant diplomacy of Soviet Russia among the Arab nations and the failure of American diplomacy to grasp the depths of corruption in Egypt and Syria."

**Call to Observe To Help Immigrants**  
Chief Rabbi Isaac Nissim yesterday issued a proclamation calling on rabbis and God-fearing writers and teachers of the Torah through-out Israel to go out during the month of Elul to the moshavim and development centers to instruct, advise and encourage newly-arrived immigrants in overcoming their absorption problems.

**Migdal Improvement Plan Approved**  
The District Committee of the Southern District has approved an outline plan for the rehabilitation of the old city of Migdal Ashkeilon. The Interior Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

The purpose of the plan is to provide municipal services for the town. The local Town Planning Committee will now be able to make decisions in accordance with the plan, without having to get authority from the District Committee.

**JOINT RAMLE-LYDDA HIGH SCHOOL PLANNED**  
RAMLE, Tuesday. — The Municipality of Ramle and Lydda are to erect a joint high school on the boundary between the two towns, it was announced yesterday. The school will cost IL150,000 and will include 10 classrooms and laboratories. (JTM)

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### Cables in Brief

FLU. — More victims of what is suspected of being Asian influenza are being reported from the north and south of England and from Northern Ireland.

**REFUGEES** — Over 171,000 Hungarians have fled their country since the Soviets crushed the uprising last November, the Inter-Governmental Committee for European Migration announced in Vienna yesterday. Of these, 145,000 have been transported to new homes in 30 countries.

**SALK.** — The AFL-CIO will present its 1987 Murray-Green award to Dr. Jonas Salk, creator of the Salk polio vaccine. The award, which consists of a plaque and \$5,000, is in memory of Philip Murray, former CIO President, and William Green, one-time AFL President.

## Weiss Said Insane By Psychiatrist

Yitzhak Ya'akov Weiss can best be described as a psychopathic personality, although it is difficult to state definitely that he is insane. This was

the gist of the statement made by Dr. Reuven Meyer, head of the Beer Ya'akov Mental Hospital, testifying yesterday before the Jerusalem District Court.

The continuation of the defendant's testimony was postponed.

Dr. Meyer testified that in his opinion the defendant had simulated his state of insanity

to some extent, but he was definitely unbalanced. He had been kept under observation for 10 days, and it was impossible to continue such a masquerade while under observation.

Dr. Meyer said that Weiss suffered from delusions of grandeur, and that although it was possible for him to distinguish between right and

wrong, it demanded a greater effort on his part to overcome his sick personality in a situation where he was called to make such a judgment. At yesterday's session the angry exchanges between

counsel for the defence Mr. A. Levitsky and the defendant's uncle, Mr. Y. Diskin, of the day before was referred to. The latter was finally warned by Judge Kas-

After a short consultation with the two attorneys in the Judge's chambers Mr. Diskin apologized to Mr. Levitzky.

for the insulting remarks he had made on the previous day. It was also announced in Court that Mr. Levitsky was recognized as the only defence counsel, and Mr. Diskin was asked to refrain from

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### Nazareth Kirya

NAZARETH, Tuesday. — The Prime Minister, Mr. Men-Gurion, today paid a surprise visit to the new Jewish Quarter being built in Naza-

Mr. Ben-Gurion received explanations on the progress being made in the development of the quarter, and spoke to the new settlers concerning their problems.

Mr. Ben-Gurion was accompanied by Mrs. Paula Ben-Gurion; Mr. S. Peres, the Director General of the Ministry of Defence, and high-ranking army officers.

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